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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated
December 22, 1999, be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from March 22, 2000 to and including
May 22, 2000.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$380.00. Please charge the required fee to
Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date May 22, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

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